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## NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action dated August 13, 2009 finally rejecting claims 1-7 and 21-34.

A fee of \$540.00 is believed to be necessary. Please charge this fee to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457. In the event that any additional fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please charge any necessary fees to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457.

Respectfully submitted,

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